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wherein each of said card is capable of adapting to the master running one protocol selected from a plurality of communication protocols by selecting said one protocol.

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23.(Amended) A method of communicating with a memory card, comprising:  
attaching the memory card to a first host;  
transferring data from the first host to the memory card using a first communication protocol;  
removing the memory card from the first host;  
attaching the memory card to a second host; and  
transferring data from the memory card to the second host using a second communication protocol, said second communication protocol being different from said first communication protocol,  
wherein the memory card is capable of communicating in at least two different communication protocols by selecting one of said at least two different communication protocols.

Please add the following new claims:

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--28.(New) A communicating system comprising:  
a master;  
at least one card; and  
an interface connecting said master to said at least one card for transferring data and commands between each of the at least one card and the master,  
wherein each of said card is capable of adapting to the master running one protocol selected from a plurality of communication protocols and wherein said adaptation of the card to the master is transparent to the master.

29.(New) The communication system according to Claim 28, wherein said master can only communicate with the at least one card in the selected communication protocol.

30.(New) The communication system according to Claim 28, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises MultiMediaCard protocol.

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31.(New) The communication system according to Claim 28, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

32.(New) The communication system according to Claim 28, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises MultiMediaCard protocol and Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

33.(New) The communication system according to Claim 32, wherein the interface comprises a common bus for transmitting data and commands between the master and the card, and at least one select signal, each of said select signal connecting the master to one of said card.

34.(New) The communication system according to Claim 33, wherein the select signal is not used when the master is running under the MultiMediaCard protocol.

35.(New) The communication system according to Claim 33, wherein the common bus comprises a command line, a data line, and a clock line when the master is running under the MultiMediaCard protocol.

36.(New) The communication system according to Claim 33, wherein each of the select signal is used for selecting the corresponding card when the master is running under the Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

37.(New) The communication system according to Claim 33, wherein the common bus comprises a data-in line, a data-out line, a clock line when the master is running under the Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

38.(New) The card according to Claim 28, wherein the card is a memory storage device.

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39.(New) A communicating system comprising:  
a master;  
at least one card; and  
an interface connecting said master to said at least one card for transferring data and commands between each of the at least one card and the master, wherein the master communicates with each of said at least one card through one protocol selected from a plurality of communication protocols, and wherein the interface comprises a distinct bus for each of said plurality of communication protocols.

40.(New) The communication system according to Claim 39, wherein said master can only communicate with the at least one card in one of said communication protocols.

41.(New) The communication system according to Claim 39, wherein each of said card is capable of adapting to the master running one protocol selected from said plurality of communication protocols.

42.(New) The communication system according to Claim 39, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises MultiMediaCard protocol.

43.(New) The communication system according to Claim 39, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

44.(New) The communication system according to Claim 39, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises MultiMediaCard protocol and Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

45.(New) The communication system according to Claim 44, wherein each of said busses comprise a common bus for transmitting data and commands between the master and the card.

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46.(New) The communication system according to Claim 45, wherein the common bus for the MultiMediaCard protocol comprises a command line, a data line, and a clock line.

47.(New) The communication system according to Claim 44, wherein the interface further comprises at least one select signal, each of said select signal connecting the master to one of said card when the master is running under the Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

48.(New) The communication system according to Claim 47, wherein each of the select signal is used for selecting the corresponding card when the master is running under the Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

49.(New) The communication system according to Claim 45, wherein the common bus comprises a data-in line, a data-out line, wherein the common bus for the Serial Peripheral Interface protocol comprises a command line, a data line, and a clock line.

50.(New) The card according to Claim 39, wherein the card is a memory storage device.

51.(New) A memory card for connecting to a master, comprising:  
a plurality of storage elements; and  
an interface for communicating with the master, wherein data and commands are transferred between the card and the master;

wherein said card is capable of adapting to the master running one protocol selected from a plurality of communication protocols based upon the structure of the interface.

52.(New) The card according to Claim 51, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises MultiMediaCard protocol.

53.(New) The card according to Claim 52, wherein the plurality of communication protocols further comprises Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

54.(New) The card according to Claim 53, wherein the interface comprises a common bus for transmitting data and commands between the master and the card.

55.(New) The card according to Claim 54, wherein the common bus comprises a command line, a data line, and a clock line when the master is running under the MultiMediaCard protocol.

56.(New) The card according to Claim 54, wherein the common bus comprises a data-in line, a data-out line, a clock line when the master is running under the Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

57.(New) A communicating system comprising:  
a master;  
at least one card; and  
an interface connecting said master to said at least one card for transferring data and commands between each of the at least one card and the master,  
wherein each of said card is capable of adapting to the master running one protocol selected from a plurality of communication protocols based upon the structure of the interface.

58.(New) The communication system according to Claim 57, wherein said master can only communicate with the at least one card in the selected communication protocol.

59.(New) The communication system according to Claim 57, wherein the plurality of communication protocols comprises MultiMediaCard protocol.

60.(New) The communication system according to Claim 57, wherein the plurality of communication protocols further comprises Serial Peripheral Interface protocol.

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